

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 10 are pending in the subject patent application. Claims 1 through 10 have been rejected.

Discussion of Double Patenting Rejections

Claims 1 through 10 have been rejected by the Examiner under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting, in view of U. S. Pat. No. 6,647,356, which is commonly owned by the Assignee of the subject application. Accordingly, a Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith, overcoming this rejection.

The Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1 through 10 are patentable, and that the application is now in a condition for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (360)692-4506 for any reason that would advance the instant application to issue.

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Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that this Response to Office Action and the Terminal Disclaimer are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450, on this 27th day of August, 2004.



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